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To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: UNITED NATIONS STAFF RELIEF COMMITTEE FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE MOUNT PINATUBO ERUPTION IN THE PHILIPPINES

1. The continuing eruption of Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines, which began on 9 June 1991, has killed at least 500 persons, injured hundreds more and rendered 250,000 homeless. Property damage and related reconstruction costs are estimated at more than $US 500 million. Ash falls have disrupted daily life, business and communications and mud flows unleashed by tropical storms continue to destroy life and property.

2. To allow staff to assist the victims of the disaster through cash contributions, the Secretary-General has authorized a Secretariat-wide collection starting on 16 September 1991. The Secretary-General has also approved the creation of a United Nations Staff Relief Committee for the Victims of the Mount Pinatubo Eruption in the Philippines to organize and coordinate all collection efforts. The Committee includes the following staff members: Leocadio F. Dioso (Chairman), Jessie Rose Mabutas (Treasurer), Filipina Tatlonghari (Secretary), Gail Bindley-Taylor (United Nations Staff Union), Susan B. Fagan (United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Staff Association), Cecilia Corpus and Victoria Rasalan (UNDP/UNFPA Staff Association), Myrna Anover, Josefina N. Enríquez, Nicanor Feliciano, Lina Jacinto, Rosie T. Martínez, Isolda Oca, Rómulo Páez, Victoria Pangilinan, José Peñaflor, Cynthia Planas and Andrew Villanueva.

3. The collection will be made by authorized staff members on behalf of the Committee. Contributions by cheque can be handed personally to one of these staff members or mailed to the Committee Treasurer, Mrs. Jessie Rose Mabutas, United Nations, Room DC1-2680B, New York, N.Y. 10017. Cheques should be made payable to "UNDRO/Mt. Pinatubo".

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